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ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

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ENGLAND SENDS ULTIMATUM.

Argued That French Government Cannot Recede from Its Position in the Matter of Occupation of the Valley of the White Nile, Without Precipitating Revolution at Home. Not Regarded So Serious in France. Exultation in London.

London, Oct. 10.—The belief is that war is inevitable between England and France, as a result of the practical ultimatum of Premier Salisbury.

It is argued that the French government cannot recede from its position in the matter of the occupation of the valley of the White Nile without great humiliation; that such recession would precipitate a revolution which has been in fermentation so long and is just ready to burst should any pretext be offered.

Not Regarded So Serious in France.

Paris, Oct. 10.—Le Matin, a newspaper which is supposed to be directly inspired, says: "It is improbable that we shall risk war for the sake of the nominal possession of territories which France has had within her grasp, but has never been able to retain. We can retain our honor without retaining Fashoda. Prudence should tell us not to load ourselves with too much territory. We should be colonial, but in moderation."

Exultation in London.

London, Oct. 10.—To a congratulation of the morning newspapers is added the felicitation of the evening papers to Salisbury upon the firm attitude of the government in regard to the Fashoda incident.

There is a general spirit of exultation among political leaders at the statement of Le Matin newspaper, which is believed to indicate the French government's weakness in politics.

President and Mrs. McKinley Attend the Funeral of Saxton.

Canton, O., Oct. 10.—President and Mrs. McKinley passed this morning in the doors of the residence of her brother-in-law, Barber, where the simple funeral service over Mr. Saxton is set for 2 o'clock this afternoon. The coffin of the man who fell a victim to a woman's fury rested amid a profusion of flowers from the white house conservatory and local greenhouses. The pall bearers and intimate friends of the president it is said to day are expected to return to Washington at 9 o'clock tonight and start for Omaha.

No Yellow Fever at Huntsville.

Washington, Oct. 10.—Mayor Murphy, of Huntsville, Ala., and Dr. Gonzales Shafter, a fever expert, send a communication denying the report of the Cincinnati Post that there has been any yellow fever there since 1878.

Military Preparations in Paris.

Paris, Oct. 10.—Extensive military preparations are being made to prevent disturbances among the men on the strike in this city. It is not probable that the railway employees will join the strikers.

British Oil Steamer Burning.

Philadelphia, Oct. 10.—The British steamer Wehawken, oil laden, bound from Philadelphia to Venice, is aground and burning on the Delaware river, twenty miles south of here.

Big Failure in London.

London, Oct. 10.—Ernest Orger Lambert, financier, has failed for \$5,000,000.

The Corbett-McCoy Fight Off.

The Corbett-McCoy fight, to have taken place at Buffalo, has been declared off.

Skinner on Negro Rule in 1892.

Wilmington Messenger.
Mr. Josephus Daniels, in his published political speech, mentions an interesting fact that has been forgotten. He says that the late Col. Leonidas Polk, the virtual founder of the national Populist party, "would not sanction negro fusion." He also recalls another fact that is pertinent and instructive. The very Harry Skinner, now affiliating with the disgusting, black political party, once showed more character and self-respect. He was only a few years ago opposed bitterly to negro rule. He was nominated for governor on August 17, 1892, by the Populists. Skinner made a speech in which he declared he was very much afraid of negro rule. If there was danger in it then, there is ten times the danger now, and he knows it. Here is an extract from his speech of acceptance. Let sensible, honest and upright Populists read what he said, and wonder at his betrayal of himself and his race now: "Before I accept this nomination it must be upon known and well-defined terms. And what are those terms? It is this: That at any hour there appears such a division wrought among the white people of the country that the Republican machine, the common enemy of us all and of our country, and the cause of all our evils, has and is surreptitiously taking advantage and white supremacy is endangered, I want to advise you of it. I shall be a patriot to North Carolina, and advise you of the dangers in which you are. And unless you give me that power, unless you are willing to entrust me with that confidence, unless you are willing of yourselves while fighting nationally the battle of reform, in the case of North Carolina, you see that your people are divided and the Republicans have the advantage of you and are going to elect their ticket, if I cannot tell you, then, gentlemen, I cannot be your candidate for governor."

The Elephant as a Worker.

In the Siamese Malay states there are probably about 1,000 domesticated elephants all told, and in the Lao country probably over 2,500 animals are working at the present moment. That these animals breed in captivity in Siam is due to the fact that a large number of them spend the greater part of their time holiday making in the jungle. When there is no work for his beast, the mahout takes him out to a nice cool green bit of forest and leaves him there to enjoy himself. There is no expense connected with his upkeep, for he looks after himself. He has a hobble of rattan round his feet to dissuade him from wandering too far, and a wooden bell round his neck, by the tone of which the mahout or his little boy can always find him, when they go out once a month to look him up and give him some bananas.—Geographical Journal.

A Chinese Advertisement.

As a testimonial to the progress of the Chinese toward English and American ways it is interesting to note their appreciation of the value of advertising in English in the columns of their newspapers. The following notice, which appeared recently in a Chinese paper published in a district where there are many English residents, may leave a trifle to be desired in the way of expression, but it shows a creditable effort to master the difficulties of a foreign tongue. It runs:

"For Sale by private contract without reserve.—4 Ponies Cavendish, Tag, Sally and a white Griffin.—The 8 first named ponies are quite hacks and will carry a Lady also a Dinghy with mast, sails and cars complete."

Both Well Posted.

There is a story current in Washington of a charming girl whose partner said to her as in waltzing they just missed a statue of the Venus of Milo: "We mustn't dance too near that or somebody will accuse us of breaking it." The girl turned her lovely eyes on the statue. "Why," said she, "somebody's broken it already."

Something Just as Good.

Customer.—Have you any scouring sand?
Grocer.—No, we're entirely out of it.
Customer.—Well, give me a half pound of your sugar. My tins have to be scoured today, no matter what it costs.—Harlem Life.

A Problem of the Drama.

It seems rather odd that actresses and singers cannot be wedded, by their art without being divorced from their husbands.—Salt Lake Herald.

PEACE COM. SCANDALS.

Creelman Says They Will Exceed the Scandals of the War.

GIVE FRIENDS INFORMATION

Privately of the Developments That Causes Them Among Other Things To Buy Philippine Bonds, Which Negotiations Indicate Will Be Guaranteed By America.

New York, Oct. 10.—A Journal cable from Creelman at Paris says that the scandals of the war will be exceeded by the scandals of the peace commissioners, in giving private information of the developments to friends, who among other things are buying Philippine bonds, which negotiations indicate will be guaranteed by America.

The American peace commissioners held two sessions today.

EVACUATION OF PORTO RICO AND CUBA.

The Evacuation of Porto Rico to Be Completed Next Monday, of Cuba by End of November.

Madrid, Oct. 10.—It is said that the evacuation of Porto Rico will be completed next week, the government employing 21 vessels to move the Spanish soldiers. The evacuation of Cuba will be accomplished by the end of November.

Troops to Manila.

San Francisco, Oct. 10.—General Merriam has sailed with 200 officers and 5,000 men. The next, and presumably the final expedition to Manila will be composed of companies from Oregon, Wyoming, Nevada, Kansas, the first Tennessee and Iowa, for which transports are being prepared.

Indian Situation More Ominous.

Walker, Minn., Oct. 10.—The situation is more ominous and citizens are all arming. The Indians are threatening and another council will be held at noon today, which will determine the matter, but none of the members of the leading bands have signified an intention of attending.

British Channel Squadron.

London, Oct. 10.—In view of the situation in Crete, Egypt and China it is significant that the British channel squadron will start for a two months' cruise on October 15th. The squadron has been ordered to take six months' supplies in stores, which is unprecedented.

Yellow Fever Situation.

Washington, Oct. 10.—Reports of new cases in the Mississippi marine hospital: Harrison 9, Madison 7, Fayette 2, Poplarville 2, Hattiesburg 10, Jackson 6, Oxford 1. One death. Traffic over the Vicksburg, Memphis and Yazoo railroad has been resumed.

Mrs. George Arraigned on the Charge of Murder.

Canton, O., Oct. 10.—The coroner continued taking testimony in the Saxton case.

The mayor received a card from Springfield saying: "I killed Saxton, catch me if you can. X. Y. Z." Mrs. George is arraigned on the charge of murder.

Hotel Burned.

Pittsburg, Oct. 10.—The Richeieu hotel, five stories, was burned this morning. Many Knights Templars here at the conclave narrowly escaped.

Cotton Market.

The New York cotton market opened this morning for October 5.23 and closed 5.16. January opened 5.34, closed 5.28. Spot cotton at Kinston, 4.85. Thirty-three bales were sold on the Kinston market today.

"OLD NORTH STATE" NEWS.

Interesting North Carolina Items in Condensed Form.

Jim Young's regiment is now clamoring to get out of the service and some of the men have written a letter to Secretary Alger begging him to have mercy on them.

Reports from the eastern part of the State say that the peanut crop is considerably below the average this year. The vines are luxuriant but the nuts are short in quantity.

At Elizabethtown Emma Singletory submitted to a verdict in the second degree for the murder of her infant child, and was sentenced to 25 years in the penitentiary.

The Guilford county authorities are puzzled by a strange case, of a man in the county home there who has entirely forgotten his name. He writes very good letters, but signs them "a man who has forgotten his name."

In the third congressional district many prominent Republican leaders are very much upset at the nomination of Fowler, Populist, at the purchased Fayetteville convention. S. H. Buchanan, of Fayetteville, says he will do all he can to defeat Fowler, and that many Republicans have expressed the same sentiment to him.

Perry—I wish I'd paid more attention to this here war.

Wayborn—What good would it do you?

Perry—Just this: I'd be goin' 'round right now as a wounded soldier from Cuba, only I dunno which regiment to belong to. It would be just my luck to name one of them outfits that never got away from home.—Chicago Post.

Old Geronimo Still Lively.

Old Geronimo, chief of the Apaches, is the most noted Indian of the wild tribes of North America. He is 90 years of age and as straight as an arrow. His eyes are keen, piercing and cruel. His feet are very large.

When at the post at Fort Sill, I. T., old Geronimo plays monte, a game of cards liked very much by the Indians, but when he can get permission to leave the reservation his time is spent in hunting, of which he is still very fond.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

It Depends.

Dr. Johnson was once consulted by an old lady on the degree of wickedness to be attached to her son's robbing an orchard. "Madam," said Johnson, "it all depends upon the weight of the boy. I remember my schoolfellow, Davy Garrick, who was always a little fellow, robbing a dozen orchards with impunity, but the very first time I climbed up an apple tree—for I was always a heavy boy—the bough broke with me, and it was called a judgment."

IN ROOSEVELT'S FAVOR.

Motion Discontinued Which Would Declare Roosevelt Not a Citizen.

TO THE OMAHA EXPOSITION.

Distinguished Parties Left Washington For Omaha. Hay, Alger and Long Unable To Attend Owing to Press of Public Business.

New York, Oct. 10.—Justice Smyth discontinued the motion the effect of which, had it been successful, would have declared Roosevelt not a citizen of New York. This practically settles the question in favor of Roosevelt, whose tax has been accepted.

To the Omaha Exposition.

Washington, Oct. 10.—Two special trains carrying distinguished parties to the Omaha exposition left Washington this morning. One carried the diplomatic corps, army and navy officers, a number of government officials, and the other the presidential party. Secretaries Hay, Alger and Long were unable to accompany the party, owing to press of public business.

Points to Consider.

There's only one kind of printing we don't do. That's the poor kind. That's the kind you don't want. But when you do want something that is neat, clean, right-up-to-date, printed on good paper, with fine ink, from type that is new and of latest face, set in an artistic and intelligent manner—in short, when you want a strictly first-class job, . . .

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\$6.00.

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